

## SENATE BILL No. 523

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### DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 3-5-1-3.

**Synopsis:** Vote by mail. Provides that all elections held in Indiana after December 31, 2008, shall be held by mail except as otherwise provided by law. Requires the census data advisory committee to prepare legislation for introduction in the 2008 session to make appropriate changes in statutes to provide for conducting all elections in Indiana by mail.

**Effective:** July 1, 2007.

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January 23, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on Local Government and Elections.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2006 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning elections.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 3-5-1-3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS  
2 A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1,  
3 2007]: **Sec. 3. (a) This section applies after December 31, 2008.**

4 **(b) Except as otherwise provided in this title, an election shall be**  
5 **conducted so that the following apply:**

6 **(1) Ballots shall be sent to voters by first class mail.**

7 **(2) A voter may cast the voter's ballot by doing either of the**  
8 **following:**

9 **(A) Returning the voter's marked ballot to the circuit court**  
10 **clerk by first class mail.**

11 **(B) Returning the voter's marked ballot to the circuit court**  
12 **clerk under other procedures provided by law.**

13 SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007] **(a) The census data**  
14 **advisory committee shall prepare legislation for introduction in the**  
15 **2008 regular session of the general assembly to make appropriate**  
16 **changes in statutes to provide for conducting all elections in**  
17 **Indiana by mail.**



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1 (b) This SECTION expires July 1, 2009.

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